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1. JAMAICA DAILY NEWS CARRIED FOLLOWING ARTICLE
JULY 31, ATTRIBUTED TO PRENSA LATINA:

"AGEE DESCRIBES CIA'S 'DIRTY WORK'.

HAVANA, JULY 31. SIX AMERICANS INVITED TO THE 11TH WORLD
YOUTH FESTIVAL DENOUNCED HERE THE CIA'S INTERVENTIONIST
ACTIVITIES. THE GUESTS WERE PHILLIP AGEE, EX-CIA OFFICER;
THE WILCOTTS, FORMER MEMBERS OF THE US CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
AGENCY; WILLIAM SHAP, LAWYER AND PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL
LAWYERS LEAGUE OF WASHINGTON; ELLAN RAY, JOURNALIST, AND
LOUIS WOLF, CO-EDITOR OF AGEE'S SECOND BOOK, DIRTY WORK.

THE AMERICAN GUESTS HAVE JOINED TOGETHER TO PUBLISH
A BULLETIN CALLED "COVERT ACTION", WHOSE FIRST ISSUE CAME
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OUT EARLY THIS YEAR, REPLACING THE MAGAZINE, "COUNTERSPY".
THE GROUP'S OBJECTIVE IS TO DENOUNCE CIA ACTIVITIES, UNMASK
ITS AGENTS WHEREVER THEY ARE AND REVEAL THEIR ACTIONS,
TO FREE THE WORLD FROM THAT SPY ORGANIZATION, WHICH IS
RESPONSIBLE FOR SO MANY SLAYINGS AND DAMAGE TO HUMANITY.

THEY EXPLAINED THAT MANY CIA AGENTS MOVE AND APPARENTLY

CUT THEIR TIES WITH THE ORGANIZATION BUT IN FACT THEY CONTINUE TO WORK AGAINST PROGRESSIVE GROUPS, KILLING LEADERS AND ANYONE GETTING IN THEIR WAY. THE GROUP HAS PLANS TO SET UP AN INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF INVESTIGATORS, SPECIALISTS AND EXPERTS ON THE CIA TO BROADEN THE WORK THEY ARE CARRYING OUT AND TO STOP US ACTION AGAINST THE PEOPLES.

DISCUSSION CAME UP ON THE SECOND BOOK BY PHILLIP AGEE CALLED "DIRTY WORK: THE CIA IN WESTERN EUROPE", WHICH IS SCHEDULED TO COME OUT NEXT MONTH NAMING MORE THAN 700 AGENTS OF THE CIA AND THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION. FOR HIS PART, AGEE DESCRIBED SOME OF HIS ACTIVITIES, WHICH APPEAR IN HIS FIRST BOOK INSIDE THE COMPANY: A CIA DIARY, AS FOR EXAMPLE IN URUGUAY AND MEXICO. HE SPOKE OF THE CAMPAIGN OF TERROR AND MURDER SPONSORED BY THE US GOVERNMENT AGAINST JAMAICA, AND THE SUSPENSION OF TOURISM AND THE CREDIT BLOCK BY BANKS TO DESTABILISE AND ELIMINATE THE ADMINISTRATION OF PRIME MINISTER MICHAEL MANLEY.

THIS PLAN, HE EXPLAINED, AROSE BECAUSE CUBA AND JAMAICA ARE FRIENDS AND THAT ALONE IS ENOUGH TO MAKE THE CIA TRY BY ANY MEANS TO DESTROY THE PROGRESSIVE PATH CHOSEN BY THAT CARIBBEAN COUNTRY. AGEE STRESSED THAT HE COULD ASSURE THAT THAT THIS WAS TRUE BECAUSE HE DID THE SAME THING WHEN HE WAS DONE IN CHILE AGAINST THE POPULAR UNITY GOVERNMENT.

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AGEE ALSO TOLD OF HOW THE CIA ORGANIZED THE SO-CALLED "FREE TRADE UNIONS" TO SPLIT AND DIVERT THE UNION MOVEMENT IN WESTERN EUROPE BUT THAT A LARGE PART OF THOSE GROUPS TURNED AGAINST IT LATER ON.

HE ALSO EXPLAINED THE US SPY AGENCY'S PLAN TO DISCREDIT THE WORLD FEDERATION OF TRADE UNIONS.

HE RECOMMENDED READING THE BOOKS AN AMERICAN IN ITALY AND AMERICANS IN ITALY, WHICH DESCRIBE IN ABUNDANT DETAIL CIA ACTIVITY IN THAT COUNTRY.

JAMES WILCOTT, FOR HIS PART, SPOKE OF THE ENORMOUS RESOURCES IN WEAPONS, BOATS AND MATERIAL SUPPLIED BY THE US GOVERNMENT TO COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY ORGANIZATIONS TO ATTACK CUBA .
- PRENSA LATINA.

2. BOTH JAMAICA DAILY NEWS AND DAILY GLEANER CARRIED FOLLOWING RUETERS ARTICLE JULY 31:

"CUBA LAUNCH MAJOR ATTACK ON CIA. HAVANA, JULY 30.
CUBA IS LAUNCHING A MAJOR DENUNCIATION OF THE US CENTRAL

INTELLIGENCE AGENCY WITH THE HELP OF SEVERAL FORMER CIA
EMPLOYEES AND DOUBLE AGENTS IT SAYS IT INFILTRATED INTO THE
ORGANIZATION.

SEVERAL OF THE DOUBLE AGENTS WOULD SHORTLY MAKE PUBLIC
APPEARANCES HERE, CUBAN OFFICIALS SAID.

CUBA HAD ASSEMBLED A MASS OF EVIDENCE OF CIA ACTIVITY AGAINST
IT, RANGING FROM DIRECT ATTACKS AND ESPIONAGE TO ATTEMPTS
TO BLAME IT FOR THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY,
OFFICIALS ADDED.

THE CUBAN CAMPAIGN IS LINKED TO THE WORLD FESTIVAL OF
YOUTH, WHICH OPENED HERE IN FRIDAY NIGHT. THE EVIDENCE HAS
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BEEN GATHERED FOR A SPECIAL FESTIVAL ACTIVITY CALLED
"YOUTH ACCUSES IMPERIALISM".

THIS WILL TAKE THE FORM OF A PUBLIC TRIAL AND HAS THE CIA
AS A PARTICULAR TARGET. CUBA'S PRENSA LATINA NEWS AGENCY
DESCRIBED IT AS A SORT OF NUREMBERG TRIBUNAL "TO JUDGE
IMPERIALISM, PRINCIPALLY IN THE UNITED STATES, FOR ITS
CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY."

IT WAS NOT IMMEDIATELY CLEAR HOW MUCH OF THE EVIDENCE
TO BE PRESENTED LATER THIS WEEK WAS NEW. IT APPEARED THE
GREATER PART INVOLVED ALREADY PUBLISHED MATERIAL WHICH HAD
BEEN ASSEMBLED TOGETHER.
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NO DOUBLE AGENT HAS APPEARED IN PUBLIC IN CUBA HOWEVER,
ALTHOUGH A NUMBER OF DEFECTORS FROM THE CIA HAVE DONE SO.
AMONG THOSE HERE TO SPEAK AGAINST THE CIA WERE FORMER
EMPLOYEES PHILIP AGEE AND JAMES AND ESSIE WILCOTT.
ALL THREE LEFT THE AGENCY IN THE 1960S AND HAVE BEEN ACTIVE
WITH RADICAL GROUPS IN DENOUNCING IT.

THE THREE HAVE ALREADY GIVEN PRESS CONFERENCES HERE IN
WHICH THEY REVIEWED THEIR CAREERS AND ACTIVITIES WITH THE
AGENCY.

SEVERAL MONTHS AGO, WILCOTT TOLD A US HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE THAT HE HAD BEEN INFORMED WHILE WORKING FOR THE
CIA THAT LEE HARVEY OSWALD, NAMED KILLER OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY,
WAS EMPLOYED BY THE AGENCY.

CUBA WOULD CHARGE THAT POWERFUL US REACTIONARY GROUPS
LINKED WITH THE MAFIA AND ANTI-COMMUNIST CUBANS HAD TRIED
TO IMPLICATE THIS ISLAND IN THE ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
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KENNEDY TO HIDE THEIR OWN GUILT, OFFICIALS HERE SAID.

A GREAT DEAL OF EVIDENCE OF CIA ACTIVITY AGAINST CUBA HAS
IN THE PAST BEEN PUBLISHED BOTH IN THIS ISLAND AND IN THE
UNITED STATES. THE CIA HAS ADMITTED ATTEMPTS TO TRY TO KILL
PRESIDENT FIDEL CASTRO, AS WELL AS OTHER ATTACKS.

CUBA HAS ALREADY ANNOUNCED THAT ONE OF ITS SECURITY AGENTS
WHO INFILTRATED THE CIA AND WORKED AS A DOUBLE AGENT FOR
EIGHT YEARS WILL SHORTLY BE PUBLISHING HIS EXPERIENCES IN A BOOK.

THE MAN, MANUEL HEVIA CONSULLUELA, REACHED A SENIOR POSITION
IN THE CIA AND WAS CHIEF OF SECURITY AT A 1970 MEETING OF
GOVERNORS OF THE INTRAMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK, THE OFFICIAL
PAPER GRANMA SAID. DURING HIS PRESS CONFERENCE HERE,
MR. WILCOTT SAID THE MIAMI CIA CENTRE WHERE HE ONCE WORKED AND
WHICH WAS CONCERNED WITH OPERATIONS AGAINST CUBA WAS THE
LARGEST CIA STATION IN THE UNITED STATES. AGGE EXPLAINED
HOW SOME OF HIS WORK IN LATIN AMERICA HAD BEEN DIRECTED AT

DAMAGING CUBA'S RELATIONS WITH COUNTRIES IN THE CONTINENT.

ANOTHER WITNESS AT THE FESTIVAL "HEARING" WILL BE RADICAL
US INVESTIGATOR SAUL LANDAU.

LANDUA ALLEGED DURING A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE THAT SOME
MEMBERS OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) HAD
HINDERED THE INVESTIGATION OF THE WASHINGTON ASSASSINATION
OF FORMER CHILEAN FOREIGN MINISTER ORLANDO LETELIER.

HE NAMED FIVE ANTI-COMMUNIST CUBAN EXILES, AN AMERICAN AND
THREE CHILEAN OFFICIALS AS BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR THE KILLING.
HE SAID HE WOULD PUBLISH A COMPLETE REPORT ON HIS INVESTIGATION
NEXT SEPTEMBER 21, THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF THE
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ASSASSINATION.

MEANWHILE AN EXHIBITION HAS ALSO OPENED HERE SHOWING DOCUMENTS
AND PHOTOGRAPHS RELATED TO CIA OPERATIONS, INCLUDING THE
ABORTIVE BAY OF PIGS INVASION OF CUBA IN 1961.

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